

BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20-YEARS AGO

(Taken from the Files of The Evening Farmer)

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

QUACK DOCTOR FINED.

At the Superior Court of the State of New Hampshire holden at Keene, last week, a case was tried in which Paddy Day sued John L. Dexter, a quack doctor, for damages for malpractice in his profession. In attempting to cure a sore on the plaintiff's ankle which the defendant pretended was a cancer, he destroyed the flesh and muscles, and entirely destroyed the use of the ankle and foot. It was stated by respectable surgeons called as witnesses, that the treatment was grossly improper. The defendant pretended to have acquired his skill from the Indians. The jury gave a verdict for the defendant, \$400 damages.

ANOTHER VALUABLE DISCOVERY

A copper mine, near a Zanesville, Ohio paper, has been discovered on Beaver run in Muscovy township, Lycoming county and about 20 miles from Zanesville. Some of the ore has been taken to Fowler's furnace, and the metal separated, which is found to be equal to two-fifths of the ore. The mine is very extensive and has now fallen into the hands of a number of enterprising gentlemen who will undoubtedly make it useful to the public. The earth in this neighborhood appears to be filled with rich treasures. Two copper mines being within twenty miles of this place and from ore are in great abundance.

TO BUILD STEAMBOATS

A company of gentlemen are organizing at New Orleans, with a capital of \$125,000 to build a steamboat to run between New Orleans and New York with liberty at Havana, a considerable part of the capital is subscribed.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

DEER-HAVEN TROOP.

The troop from Derby to New Haven, for a bet of \$400 was made by Mr. Moses Hawkins, on Tuesday—but the men appointed to mark the time in New Haven, failed to do so, for some reason not fully explained; hence there arose a disagreement, and the result was the withdrawal of the stakes. The distance, (nine miles and three quarters) was to be performed in thirty-eight minutes. The New Haven papers state that the feat was performed in thirty-seven minutes and six seconds. But as the requisite proof of this fact is the very thing that seems to be wanting, the Bridgeporters who were in the bet against the horse demur, and claim the right to withdraw the bet. Much interest was taken by horsemen in the affair, and it is true that the horses performed the feat inside of the time agreed upon, he is a nag worth having.

WRONG IMMORTALIZATION.
We immortalized Mr. James N. Arthur, in last evening's paper, as a tasty and skillful hand at fancy work in the City Bakery. It seems, however, that he operates in that establishment.

STEPNEY

Mrs. George Smith entertained relatives from Setauket, L. I., last week.

Charles Day, who is employed at the Poland farm, spent a few days last week out of town.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church, will hold an afternoon social at the home of Mrs. Edward Booth, Thursday.

The Misses Bertha and Blanche Gilbert, who have been spending a week as the guests of Mrs. Milson Hawley, have returned to Newtown.

George Powell has entertained his mother from Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Sistrup of Waterbury, were guests, Sunday at the home of Edward Morgan.

George Stinson who has been ill for a few weeks is now well enough to resume his work.

David Parmley spent a few days last week in Huntington where he attended the fair and captured four blue ribbons for the four pair of oxen he offered there.

Mrs. Edward Kneen of Shelton has been visiting Mrs. Emily D. Leavenworth.

Friends here are sorry to learn of the serious illness of George Beck. Mr. Beck was taken ill last Tuesday, and was removed Wednesday to the Bridgeport hospital. From there he was taken to Hillside home as a possible polio-myelitis victim, but was found to be suffering with spinal meningitis and at the present writing is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Plumb and Miss Beatrice Plumb were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen B. Hayes.

Frank Perkins and Claude Lewis were week end guests of their parents here.

Harold Tomlinson, who has been spending a couple of weeks at the home of his uncle in Woodbridge, has returned home.

David Fairchild was a guest, Sunday, of his aunt, Mrs. Ada Parmley in Hattretown.

Famous Ballet Russe May Be Brought Here

Bridgeport may have opportunity to see the famous Diaghloff Ballet Russe of the Metropolitan Grand Opera Co. with Karsavina and Nijinsky as the star dancers. W. F. A. Engel representing this organization, probably the most famous which ever crossed the sea to America, arrived in this city yesterday to sound out public sentiment. If sufficient enthusiasm is shown the Ballet will be brought here. Mr. Nagal will make his temporary headquarters at the Stratfield.

A proposed ordinance fixing 15 ounces as the standard weight for a loaf of bread in New York city was discussed by the board of aldermen.

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ment as a clerk only, and claims no credit for the handsome loaf referred to, further than suggesting its preparation for the fair. We know not how much we have thus added to the good name and fame of the young gentleman—but if he thinks it will be worth a hundred dollars to him, he may deposit that amount with the Treasurer of Trinity Church Fair, and consider the account between us settled.

PERSONAL.

We hear that Mr. E. M. Chaffee, the great Rubber manufacturer of Providence, has become connected with this Simpson Rubber Cloth Company in this city, and that business in that establishment will soon be resumed under the most favorable auspices.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

THE TAIL END OF SUMMER.

To-day is the last day of Summer, as the sun passes over the line at midnight. After to-day there is no excuse for wearing a straw hat, other than this is a free country and it is no violation of the law of the land. According to the weather sharp, William Jennings, we will have no more warm weather spells, and we can prepare ourselves for a steady spell of weather. Mr. Jennings makes a reservation in his prediction however, by saying that this year has been one of weather eccentricities and no one could predict what is ahead of us. We are all in the position of the Irishman who lost his almanac and then came to the conclusion that he would take the weather as it came.

CALLIAS BEY DYING.

Mr. Benjamin Fish has learned through the State Department at Washington that Demetrius Callias Bey is dying at the Hotel Bristol at Constantinople. The news of Mr. Callias' condition is hardly a surprise to Mr. Fish who intimated that it was serious several days ago but hoped he would live till his wife could reach his bedside. Mr. Callias sometimes ago signified his desire that should anything happen to him that he be buried near his estates, on the island of Melita, in consecrated ground as he is a member of the Greek Catholic church.

FAIR PLAY FOR FREE SILVER.

Sensing the fact that the cause of free silver was unlikely, through well understood reasons, to receive fair presentation in the East and especially in Bridgeport the Farmer early adopted the policy as a measure of fair play, of publishing all the more important addresses and documents in advocacy of the Chicago platform, and particularly the speeches of Mr. Bryan who is not merely a presidential candidate but also one of ablest advocates of the 16 to 1 standard. That this course has been appreciated by voters desirous of more light upon the question as well as by the supporters of Mr. Bryan, The Farmer has abundant evidence and it will be continued.

MONROE

Everyone who attended the church fair at East Village in August, will remember the excellent entertainment which Mr. Albert Yudin of Derby furnished with his "New Edison Diamond Disc" and those who were not present doubtless have heard of the unusual talent which the little Miss Labelle Smith, who accompanied him possessed. If you wish, as we know you will, to hear another entertainment furnished by Mr. Yudin and Miss Smith, don't fail to be present at Harmony Grange fair at Monroe Center, Thursday, September 28th.

"The District School at Blueberry Corners" was given in the East Village M. E. church, Wednesday night, Sept. 13th. The cast numbered over 25 people, all of whom from little four year old Letha to the dignified teacher, made exceptional progress in school work. A goodly audience was present, and all agreed that if there was any truth in the old adage, "Laugh and grow fat," each person present must have gained several pounds during the evening.

Fred C. Nichols underwent a serious operation for appendicitis at the Griffin hospital on Saturday, and is settling along as well as can be expected.

Elmer H. Wakelee who has been in the service of the post for months, returned Friday to the home of his mother, Mrs. Marshall Beach.

GERMANS AND SWISS COME TO AGREEMENT

Paris, Sept. 21.—The final details of the economic agreement between Germany and Switzerland have been settled, according to a Geneva despatch to the Matin. The text of the agreement will be submitted to the Swiss federal council today.

Last June, Germany threatened to place an embargo on exports to Switzerland unless the Swiss government permitted exports to Germany of cotton and foodstuffs collected by German agents. A Swiss delegate interfered with representatives of the entente in Paris and in August Germany withdrew her threat and negotiations between Berlin and Bern resumed.

GEN. DUPONT PROMOTED.

Paris, Sept. 21.—General Pierre Georges Dupont has been appointed chief of the headquarters staff of the army at the ministry of war in place of General Jean Cesar Graziani, who has retired on account of ill health. General Dupont was a colonel at the outbreak of the war and rapidly won his way to the command of an army corps.

BANDIT'S VICTIM HERE, BEREFT OF ALL POSSESSIONS

Mexican Landowner Wants Job in Arms Shop to Make Gun For Revenge.

Praying that he would be able to get work in the Remington Arms Co. and then work on a gun that would shoot the bandit who had robbed him of everything he possessed, Sinor Miguel Lopez of Perez, Mexico, arrived last night in this city from New York. He related his tale this morning as he stood by the local dock smoking Mexican cigarettes and looking sorrowfully across the water.

Until a month ago, Sinor Lopez, who is exceptionally well educated, was a wealthy plantation owner in Perez. His estate comprised about 7,000 acres and he had about 1,500 head of cattle. With him lived his wife and two young daughters.

The revolutionists which have been devastating Mexico, did not greatly affect Lopez and his family, and they lived happily until last month when there came a local bandit known as Sargasso the Ruthless, who overpowered the men on the plantation, burned the dwellings, drove off the cattle and took the prisoners, the two daughters of Sinor Lopez. Himself and his wife were bundled into a canoe and set adrift on the river. They were rescued a distance from their home but grief at the loss of her daughters and her home weakened Senora Lopez so that she soon contracted a fever and died.

Deprived of everything that his heart had held dear and having very little money, Sinor Lopez decided to come to the United States. He worked his way to New York on a banana ship. There, where he had but little money, and was, as he says, unfamiliar with the customs of the country, they told him to come to Bridgeport to work in the Remington Arms shop. He has not yet been able to find work when this morning he had his found living accommodations.

Armory Service Men Honorably Discharged From National Guard

(Special to The Farmer.)
Hartford, Sept. 21.—In general orders issued yesterday by Adjutant General George M. Cole the following men are honorably discharged from the Connecticut National Guard, and hereafter their status will be that of civilian employees of the state: Sergeant George W. Merry, Corporal Harry D. Carter, Privates Charles H. Whitney, Thomas Connolly, John Delgado, Frank Delgado, Rosa Pinto and William B. Hurst of Hartford; Sergeants Andrew Allen and James Byrne of New Haven; Sergeant William Sommerberg of Torrington; Sergeant Jean B. Paulhus of Willimantic; Sergeant William J. Rice of New Britain; Sergeant Jens M. Lauerson of Stamford; Sergeant Timothy J. Donahue of Bridgeport; Sergeant Stephen L. Hopkins of Danbury; Sergeant George H. Baisley of Branford; Sergeant William H. Rees of Meriden; Sergeant John J. Sheridan of New London; Sergeant Allen S. Barbour of Norwich; Sergeant Luther M. Whitney of Norwalk; Sergeant Fred D. Lancaster of Greenwich; Sergeant James W. Ward of Waterbury and Sergeant Frank E. Young of Danielson.

These men are discharged by decision of the militia bureau, war department, rendered Sept. 13, that under the defense act of June 3 soldiers cannot be solely in the quarter-masters' corps solely for duty and service in state armories. The men are directed to return at once to the state arsenal all uniforms and equipment in their possession.

The order also states that enlisted men of the National Guard not now in the federal service who have not taken the oath required to be taken by the defense act of June 3 cannot participate in any of the benefits of the act or be recognized as national guardsmen. Company commanders are directed to forward to the office of the adjutant general at once the names of all men who refuse to take this oath and the men who are discharged in orders from General Cole.

Sgt. Donahue has been in charge of the Bridgeport armory for several years and is one of the most efficient janitors in the service of the state. He has been requested by the adjutant-general's chief clerk from the quarter-master-general's office to retain his position. The change in the system will not affect his pay.

All the members of the three local companies of Coast Artillery, the band, medical corps and Naval reserves have taken the Federal oath. In fact that Bridgeport band was the only militia band in the state that took the Federal oath. Members of the bands of the First and Second Infantry refused to sign the oath.

All the armorers, janitors and attaches of the armories will be retained in the service. Sgt. Donahue will remain here with the title of armorer.

Referendum On Conscription

Melbourne, Via London, Sept. 21.—The bill providing for a referendum on the question of conscription passed the House of Representatives on its third reading. The vote was 47 to 11.

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WILSON PLANS HIS REPLY TO G. O. P. ATTACK

Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 21.—President Wilson and Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, mapped out here yesterday, a program for meeting the attacks of Charles E. Hughes on the railroad eight-hour law. Asserting that the Democrats would show that the President placed before Congress a complete program to meet the recently threatened strike, Mr. McCormick said that President Wilson is ready to urge strongly during the next session of Congress the enactment of this program.

When the entire plan of the President is fully understood the people of the country would join in pressing Mr. Wilson, the chairman said. The Republicans, he declared, seem to ignore everything in the program except the one item passed by Congress. Mr. McCormick added that it would be shown clearly, how the President plans to minimize the possibility of a repetition of the railroad situation which arose recently.

The chairman was not ready to-day to announce any additional speaking arrangements for Mr. Wilson but said that correspondence had been begun regarding several. He plans to return here next Tuesday for another conference with the President.

Meantime, the President is working on a speech he will make to a delegation of business men he will receive Saturday and on the address he will deliver Monday before the convention of the National Grain Dealers' association. In these two speeches he will outline the reason why he thinks farmers and businessmen should vote the Democratic ticket.

WALTER B. GILMORE TO TEACH AUDITING AT Y. M. C. A. CLASS

Walter B. Gilmore has been selected by the educational committee of the Bridgeport Institute of Accountancy and Business Administration as head of the department of auditing and accounting. The school will open Friday evening with a free public lecture at the Y. M. C. A. Attorney Frederick E. Morgan has been selected as the head of the department of law.

For the last three years, Mr. Gilmore has filled the position of accountant with the New York State Public Service commission. He is a graduate of Princeton university (B. A. degree), and of the Pace course in accountancy, which he completed at the 23rd street, New York, and the Brooklyn Central Y. M. C. A. He is a certified public accountant under the laws of New York state, having been admitted in 1911.

Mr. Gilmore's experience in practical work also includes several years in public accounting practice with Clarke, Oakes, Trisman & Clarke; Leslie & Co.; William C. Lyne, Son & Co., and the City Audit Co., all New York firms; also service with the Western Electric Co. comptroller's department, and as head of the bookkeeping department of Goodwin-Gallagher Sand & Gravel Corporation. In addition to his Bridgeport class, Mr. Gilmore will also instruct several evening class in New York and Brooklyn.

Dogs Cited Now In Reports from Front

Paris, Sept. 21.—Citation of dogs in regimental orders is now common at the French front. Fox, of the 19th Company of the 1st regiment, is one of these illustrious quadrupeds. The afternoon war bulletin of July 16 contained the following:
"An enemy raid directed against one of our small posts in the Paschendale region failed under our fire." It is learned from an official source that the failure was due to Fox, who was thus referred to in next day's regimental orders: "Fox, Series F 4, No. 221, Kennel A., prevented a raid attempted on one of our first line trenches by the Germans. Taking advantage of the darkness, and when a gale was blowing, the enemy succeeded in reaching our barbed-wire without being seen or heard. The dog, Fox, of the 19th Company, on sentry at the end of the trench, twice gave the alarm and thus allowed us to receive the enemy with grenade fire. The surprise attack failed."

Two other dogs, Diana and Cybele, have been distinguished in the same way, and all three have, besides, been introduced by moving pictures to the Paris public.

Anecdotes of occasions on which these "war dogs," as they are known have saved critical situations during actual fighting by acting as despatch runners are innumerable, and staff officers have calculated that in one section of the front alone six thousand soldiers were saved from death or danger by these always modest auxiliaries.

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PROGRESSIVE SWEEP TO THE PRESIDENT GAINS IMPETUS

Democrats Get Recruits Among Leaders From all Parts of the Country

The sweep of the tide of independent and progressive opinions to the cause of Woodrow Wilson in the presidential campaign continues to gain impetus daily. New evidences of the President's widespread strength come from all parts of the country.

Hughes' action in assailing the method pursued by the President in setting the railroad strike is a fruitful cause of Wilson's advances in popular esteem.

California—From California comes a telegram to Chairman Vance McCormick that Luther Burbank, the horticultural wizard, has been added to the list of former Republicans of that state who will vote this year for Wilson. Mr. Burbank endorsed all that Thomas A. Edison said of Wilson in his recent interview, and added: "I believe Wilson to be the greatest statesman we have ever had."

Edward O. Edgerton, State Railroad Commissioner of California, has also announced his intention to vote for President Wilson's re-election. Mrs. Lillian Harris Coffin, one of the most prominent Progressives of the Pacific Coast and leader of the movement through whose efforts woman suffrage was adopted in California, has also come out unequivocally for President Wilson.

New York—Richard Welling, one of the original Progressives of N. Y. State and an officer of the Men's League for Woman's Suffrage since its organization has written to the New York "Evening Post" announcing his intention to support President Wilson. He states his reasons in part as follows:

In domestic matters the President has made such a remarkable constructive record that it seems to me Progressives are almost bound to support him. The Republicans can hardly make much of an issue of our attitude toward the European war when they have the McLeMORE resolution staring them in the face. Mr. Hughes says nothing about the Federal Reserve Act and what it has accomplished for this country, or the Rural Credits Act or the new Child Labor Act, or any of the remarkable series of constructive measures, and yet those are the things which the Progressive party was created to bring about.

Illinois—"Charles Evans Hughes says this is a time for deeds, not for words. For my part I am willing to take President Wilson's deeds and not Mr. Hughes' words, which is one of the reasons why I accepted the presidency of the Woodrow Wilson Independent League of Illinois."

George E. Cole, pioneer in movements for civic betterment, leader in the fight for a new State constitution and prominent in Chicago business circles, thus summed up his part in the new organization formed by Progressives, former Republicans and independents, to help in the re-election of President Wilson in the State of Illinois.

Mexico City Police Believe They Broke "Grasping Hand" Band

Mexico City, Sept. 21.—The police of Mexico City believe that with the capture recently of Ramon Cantell, they have broken up a band of burglars and robbers which has terrorized the more prosperous residence districts of the city and which has taken loot said to amount to more than \$100,000. The band was known as "La Mano que Aprista" or "The Grasping Hand" from the black imprint of a hand which always was left somewhere about the premises where the robbers operated. It is believed many persons robbed feared to report their losses for fear of the vengeance of "The Grasping Hand."

Cantell, it is said, was captured in a subterranean chamber opening from the wall of a deep well. He was traced through his wife who brought him food and it is alleged that several of the victims of the robberies have identified him as one of the band.

The 5,000 policemen of Mexico City have received an increase in pay of from three and one-half pesos to five pesos a day. They also will be furnished their uniforms in future. Hereafter they have had to purchase their own uniforms.

Angered because of proposed changes to be made in housing the convicts on Blackwell's Island, 900 prisoners started a near riot in the penitentiary.

Fresh Sea Food

FOR FRIDAY, SEPT. 22nd, '16.

Fresh Mackerel 12 1/2c lb.
Butterfish 3 lbs. 25c
Fresh Shore Haddock 5c lb.

Flatfish 8c lb.
Sea Bass 12c lb.
Weakfish 12 1/2c lb.
Steak Pollock 10c lb.
Steak Salmon 25c lb.
Steak Codfish 12 1/2c lb.
Steak Tilefish 10c lb.
Long Island Escallops 75c qt.
Steamers 8c qt.

Round Clams in Shell 10c qt.
Rock Bass 10c lb.
Fresh Herring 7c lb.
Small Bluefish 20c lb.
Whole Pollock 8c lb.
Smelts 15c lb.
Opened Oysters 40c qt.
Opened Long Clams 25c qt.

Green Bluefish, Prime Soft Shell Crabs, Large Eels, Live Lobsters, White Halibut.

MEAT SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

Legs of Genuine Spring Lamb 24c lb.
Legs of Young Mutton 20c lb.

Pork Loins, Fresh Shoulders, Fresh Hams, Hocks, Heads, Feet, Tails, Ribs, Bones and Leaf Lard, Home Made Sausage Meat, all the different brands in packages.

Good Chuck Roasts of Beef 16c to 18c lb.

Good Pot Roasts of Beef . 14c to 15c lb.

Prime Rib Roasts of Beef 20c, 22c, 24c, 26c and 28c lb.

NATIVE DRESSED VEAL

Legs and Loins to Roast, Rumps and Shoulders to Stuff and Bake, Choice Pot Pie Pieces.

SMOKED AND CORNED MEATS.

Plate Corned Beef 10c lb.
Smoked Shoulders 16c lb.
Dixie Bacon 18c lb.
Diamond C. Hams 22c lb.
Squire's Bacon 22c lb.
Swift's Premium Hams 24c lb.

POULTRY.

Stewing Fowl 18c lb.
Choice Fowl 25c lb.
Native Dressed Broilers 36c lb.
Fresh Killed Ducks 26c lb.
New York Broilers 30c lb.

Turkeys, Roasting Chickens, Native Squab, Guinea Hens, Squab/Guineas.

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